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## Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

### Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: 9th October 2007

### Subject: Recommendation Tracking

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**Electoral Wards Affected:**

**Specific Implications For:**

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

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#### 1.0 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 Overview and Scrutiny Committee will recall that Scrutiny Boards receive reports every three months updating them on the implementation of the recommendations produced in their final reports. Members of the Scrutiny Boards received this information during their last meeting cycle and classified the progress made.
- 1.2 It has been previously agreed that should Members from the Scrutiny Boards identify areas of concern then these concerns would be referred to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for further consideration.
- 1.3 The report is intended to give Overview and Scrutiny Committee an overview of all the concerns of the Scrutiny Boards in relation to progressing recommendations and improving the services provided to members of the public.
- 1.4 This report provides members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee with a summary of the recommendations tracked in the September cycle and brings to the Committee's attention any areas of concern.
- 1.5 The recommendation tracking process is intended to apply only to those recommendations which are accepted, and does not preclude any other forms of recommendation monitoring which Board members wish to undertake.

## **2.0 Process of assessing progress**

2.1 Scrutiny Board members assessed the progress made with implementing their recommendations using the following classifications

1 – Stop monitoring

2– Achieved

3 – Not achieved (obstacle)

4 - Not achieved (Progress made acceptable. Continue monitoring)

5 – Not achieved (progress made not acceptable. Continue monitoring)

6 - Not for review this session

Category 6 is used if the timescale was not yet reached for completion of the recommendation.

2.2 Members expressed concerns about the progress made with implementing some recommendations. These instances were recorded in the minutes, and are now referred to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for further consideration and action as Appendix 1.

2.3 Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee are asked to take an overview of the areas of concern and consider how to take them forward. Members may choose to identify common themes and choose to scrutinise particular areas more closely. Members may also ask the relevant Executive Member to undertake an investigation.

## **3.0 Recommendations**

3.1 Members are asked to:

- 1) Consider the information provided on inquiry recommendations identified as potentially problematic
- 2) Consider how they wish to respond to the information contained in the report.

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<b>Scrutiny Board</b>	<b>Inquiry Recommendations tracked</b>	<b>Concerns raised by the Scrutiny Board</b>
Children's Services	Adoption In Leeds Catching the Bus Trust Schools Departmental Communications Specialist Inclusive Learning Centres	No issues No issues No issues No issues No issues
Health and Social Care	NHS Dental Contract Dignity in Care	Further clarification is being sought on the responses given to the Board's recommendations Further information is being sought in order to make an assessment on progress
Environment and Neighbourhoods	Bulky Items Collection Grounds maintenance Recycling Anti-Social Behaviour Affordable Homes	No issues No issues Subject to further Scrutiny Subject to further Scrutiny No issues

	Waste Solution	Subject to further Scrutiny
Culture and Leisure	No recommendations to track	
City Development	Flooding	Further information being sought from external agencies regarding certain recommendations
Resources	No recommendations to track <i>(new Board previous recommendations being tracked by OSC)</i>	

Categories

- 1 – achieved
- 2 – not achieved (Progress made acceptable. Continue monitoring)
- 3– not achieved (obstacle)
- 4 - not achieved (Insufficient progress made. Continue monitoring)
- 5 – not for review this session.